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**Dimension Data Scoops 20 Cisco Partner Awards**

**Johannesburg, South Africa – 10 June 2009** – Dimension Data, the \$4.5 billion specialist IT services and solution provider, announced today that it received 20 Cisco Partner Summit Global and Theatre awards including global awards for Technology Excellence Partner of the Year, European Markets Partner of the Year, and Asia Pacific Partner of the Year (Datacraft Asia). Cisco unveiled the winners last week at its annual channel partner conference in Boston.

The objective of the Global Awards is to recognize exemplary channel partners whose behavior Cisco would like other partners to model. Nominations include: innovative practices, applications successes, unique programs, problem solving and sales approaches. All winners are selected by a group of Cisco Worldwide Channels and Theater executives.

"I have the honor and privilege of recognizing Dimension Data as a Cisco Partner Summit global award winner," said Keith Goodwin, senior vice president, Worldwide Channels at Cisco. "The three global awards recognize Dimension Data's performance and accomplishments as a Cisco channel partner in 2008."

Brett Dawson, CEO, Dimension Data said, "We are delighted to win 20 awards across the globe. Our focus at Dimension Data is on delivering world class solutions that improve our clients' business performance. This recognition reaffirms Dimension Data's expert capabilities at implementing and managing Cisco technologies for our clients."

In Europe, Dimension Data was named the U.K. and Netherlands' Foundation Partner of the Year Geography award recipient, Belgium's Unified Communications Partner of the Year; Germany's Industry Solutions Partner of the Year; and the Czech Republic's SMB/Commercial Partner of the Year. Dimension Data also received the Foundation Partner of the Year Theatre Award for the UK.

Dimension Data's Americas division received US Services Partner of the Year, US and Canada Technology Excellence Partner of the Year, US and Canada Cisco Capital Partner of the Year, East Region, and Technology Excellence Partner of the Year, Unified Communications, in Mexico and Brazil.

In Asia-Pacific, Dimension Data Australia received the Top Datacenter Growth Award, Express Data won Top Distributor Award and Dimension Data Learning Solutions received Cisco's Excellence in Innovation award. Datacraft Asia's subsidiary, Training Partners Ltd. also received the Learning Partner of the Year award.

Dimension Data Middle East & Africa also received Enterprise Partner of the Year (Africa) and Solution Innovation Partner of the Year (Africa).

Cisco Partner Summit awards are presented at three levels: regional, theater and global. Cisco Partner Summit global awards reflect a partner's performance within a specific technology market across several geographic regions. Cisco Partner Summit regional and theater awards reflect a partner's performance in a given geographic region.

#### **About Dimension Data**

Dimension Data plc (LSE:DDT), a specialist IT services and solution provider, helps clients plan, build, support and manage their IT infrastructures. Dimension Data applies its expertise in networking, converged communications, security, data centre and storage, Microsoft and contact centre technologies and its unique skills in consulting, integration and managed services to create customised client solutions.

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